

# State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY  
GOVERNOR

## HOME AND HOSPICE CARE MONTH

2007

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the Association for Home and Hospice Care of North Carolina, in-home health and hospice care community based agencies provided health and social needs to approximately 400,000 North Carolina citizens last year; and

WHEREAS, in-home health, hospice and community-based services enable North Carolina's citizens to access a wide variety of quality health and social services, including preventive care, acute care, sustainable long-term care and palliative care; and

WHEREAS, these services are provided by 1,470 agencies including home health, licensed home care, hospice, adult day healthcare, and home medical equipment; and

WHEREAS, in-home health, hospice and community-based services strengthen the family bond and support families as they care for their loved ones at home, lessening caregiver burnout and unnecessary placement in more costly institutional settings; and

WHEREAS, in-home health, hospice and community-based services build upon a strong tradition of care and compassion, striving to keep families intact and responsible while preserving an individual's independence and dignity in the setting of their choice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina do hereby proclaim November 2007, as "**HOME AND HOSPICE CARE MONTH**" in North Carolina and commend this observance to our citizens.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Easley".

MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America two hundred and thirty-second.